

Medical Facilities to P&T Employees in Orissa

**4013. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:
DR, KARTIKESWAR PATRA:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of medical/Health care facilities available or proposed to be made available to Telecom and Postal employees in Orissa; and

(b) the steps taken to set-up Polyclinics, Mini Hospitals in Telecom District Manager localities as well as at Bhubaneswar?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The P&T employees of Orissa are eligible for Central Govt. medical attendance rules as Central Government employees elsewhere. In addition, to this P&T employees of Orissa are provided basic outdoor medical facilities through three P&T dispensaries situated at Bhubneswar/Cuttack and Berhampur Ganjam. Family Welfare Programme as well as Universal Immunisation Programme towards mother and child are also made available through these dispensaries. Primary laboratory test facilities are attached to all the three P&T dispensaries and basic tests are performed in these dispensaries.

Under the reimbursement of medical charges, employees where such dispensaries are not situated can get medical treatment from recognised, authorised medical attendants who are appointed by the Central Government. They are also eligible for full medical reimbursement at State Govt. and recognised hospitals in the case of major ailments as Coronary by-pass surgery, Kidney transplant, neurological surgery, cancer and other like-wise medical problems which are available also outside the state on due

authorisation by the State Government.

(b) No proposal at present is being processed for setting up Polyclinics, Mini-Hospitals in Orissa.

[Translation]

Educational Facilities to Orphans

4014. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "En Bal Divas Par Uska Bachpan Chhina" appearing in Jansatta dated November 15, 1991;

(b) whether the Government have made any special arrangements for the education and other needs of orphans;

(c) if so, the details of arrangements made in this regard and the expenditure incurred on education, boarding and lodging of such orphans, handicapped children during the last three years;

(d) the action proposed by the Government in this regard during the current financial year; and

(e) the details of implementation of other related schemes and the estimated expenditure to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) Under the Centrally sponsored scheme for the Welfare of Children in Need of Care and Protection for orphans, destitute and the neglected children, assistance to voluntary organisations upto 90% of the cost is given. The expenditure on financial assistance to voluntary organisations is shared equally by the Central and the State Govern-